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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REQUEST BY ROBERT BELL, CANADIAN EMBASSY CANBERRA
TO REVIEW E&E PLAN

1. ON VISIT THIS WEEK TO PNG, ROBERT BELL OF CANADIAN EMBASSY AT CANBERRA DISCUSSED E&E PLAN WITH EMBOFF. BELL SAID HE HAD BEEN DISCUSSING CONTINGENCY PLANS WITH AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSION OFFICIALS HERE AS WELL AS BRITISH AND THIS EMBASSY. HE IS CONCERNED WITH FUTURE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF APPROXIMATELY 300 CANADIANS LIVING AND WORKING IN PNG.

2. BELL ASKED EMBOFF IF HE COULD SEE THE EMBASSY'S E&E PLAN AND WAS TOLD THAT THE PLAN HAD JUST BEEN PREPARED, WAS NOW UNDER REVIEW AND A COPY WOULD BE SENT TO EMBASSY CANBERRA PROBABLY WITHIN 60 TO 90 DAYS. BELL SAID HE WOULD CONTACT POLOFF GRAY WITH A VIEW TO INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS.

3. WE SEE NO REASON WHY BELL SHOULD NOT HAVE ACCESS TO OUR E&E, BUT WOULD PREFER THAT A COPY NOT BE GIVEN OUT, I.E. HE SHOULD READ THE DOCUMENT AT OUR EMBASSY AT CANBERRA UNLESS DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZES PHYSICAL POSSESSION. WE MADE IT CLEAR THAT FOR MOST PURPOSES EMBASSY PORT MORESBY WOULD RELY UPON THE AUSTRALIANS FOR SUPPORT.

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RM ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER EMBASSY CANBERRA

CAN PROVIDE CANADIANS WITH COPY OF OUR E&E PLAN OR JUST HOW
OUR TWO EMBASSIES SHOULD COORDINATE WITH THEM ON THIS.
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